

this was before at-home DNA testing—the Smith family strove to live up to Charles Carroll's patriotic example.

When Charlie was about 11, his father decided that the Smith family home should be a laboratory of democracy. They would discuss important events at the dinner table, and once a week, they would have a meeting to vote on matters involving the family. After just one or two of these family meetings, Charlie had an epiphany. He told his sister Sheila: "You know, if we three kids stick together, we can out-vote Mom and Dad." He said: "I want a bike. What do you want?" Charlie figured out what both of his sisters wanted and how to deliver it. At the next family meeting, the girls supported Charlie's proposal to buy him a bike. The kids won, and Charlie got his bike. The Smith family never held another family vote, but Charlie would go on to use his coalition-building skills in the interest of public service for the rest of his life.

In 1968, Charlie joined the U.S. Army and served as an intelligence officer in Vietnam during the Tet offensive.

He left public service in 1999 and began his second career as a lobbyist. He was respected by members of Congress on both sides of the aisle as a straight shooter and a good man.

Besides his family, politics, and public service, Charlie loved the Chicago Bears and the Cubs and playing golf. Every Christmas season, Charlie hosted a party for his friends at the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington, VA. It was always a great, bipartisan celebration. This Friday, Charlie's friends will gather by Zoom to remember him on what would have been his 26th annual Christmas party. He will be missed there, and he will be missed in the halls of Congress, in his old neighborhood in Chicago, and many other places.

Loretta and I send our condolences to Charlie's wife Patti Turner; his sisters, Sheila Smith and Catherine Wilson; and his many, many friends.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO LAURA NOWLIN

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, this week I have the honor of recognizing Laura Nowlin of Teton County for her compassion and dedication to her community.

Since 1986, Laura has devoted her time to working at the Teton County Food Pantry as both a volunteer and a member of the executive board. Over the course of her 33 years at the food pantry, she ensured families in the community had healthy and hearty groceries with no exceptions. Rain or shine, Laura was always there to help the people of Teton County get the nutrition they needed.

Recently named a board member emeritus of the pantry, Laura will be dearly missed by her colleagues. Her

unwavering selflessness was an incredibly valuable asset to both the pantry and her community.

It is my distinct honor to recognize Laura for her tireless service to the people of Teton County. Her kindness and charitable approach to work serves as an inspiration to all Montanans who serve our communities.●

##### TRIBUTE TO ROY LEE LINDSEY

• Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize Mr. Roy Lee Lindsey for his 22 years of service at the Oklahoma Pork Council. Since 1998, he has served as a steadfast advocate for pork producers and the agriculture industry in Oklahoma and we are grateful for his years of service.

Over the years, I have had the experience of working directly with Roy Lee on a number of issues, and I have greatly valued his insight, partnership, and dedication to ensuring the hard-working pork producers in the State of Oklahoma have access to the Federal resources they need. Anyone who has had the pleasure to meet and work with Roy Lee can attest for his love of the state of Oklahoma and the pork industry. His unwavering passion and dedication have enabled him to be an extraordinary ambassador for Oklahoma, both regionally and nationally.

From sharing producers' perspectives on multiple farm bill reauthorizations to engaging in workforce development initiatives to educate our future generation of farmers, Roy Lee has always provided a judicious, thoughtful, and considerate perspective on Federal policy. His understanding of the challenges of agriculture production and appreciation for the producers he represents has consistently been apparent in his advocacy efforts and instrumental in the pork industry's growth and prosperity in Oklahoma.

I know I join his family and all that know him in thanking him for his years of service and contributions to Oklahoma and our entire agriculture community.●

##### TRIBUTE TO BRENT HILL

• Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, along with my colleague Senator MIKE CRAPO, I rise today to recognize Idaho State Senate President Pro Tempore Brent Hill's 19 years of service to the State of Idaho.

In 2001, Brent Hill was appointed to lead Idaho's 34th District as a State senator. He quickly developed a reputation as a legislator who led with integrity, civility and kindness—characteristics that earned him reelection to serve nine consecutive terms in the Idaho State Senate.

In the Idaho Senate and throughout the 34th District, Brent was known as a stalwart supporter of small businesses, family values, natural resources, and public education. Brent's expansive knowledge of the Federal and State tax codes from his experience as a CEO,

CPA, and a financial planner allowed him to shape Idaho's tax policy and communicate complex tax legislation to fellow legislators and constituents. He considered tax dollars sacred and took great care in spending them responsibly.

As he climbed the ranks of leadership to become president pro tempore, Brent never forgot the people he served in Madison and Bonneville Counties and always demonstrated true concern for their challenges and concerns. Despite the demands on his time, he continued to serve his community on the board of the Citizens Community Bank and as president of the Rexburg Chamber of Commerce and Rexburg Kiwanis Club. He never stopped advocating on behalf of his constituents, regularly contacting our offices to secure assistance for those needing help with Federal agencies.

Senator Brent Hill leaves behind a legacy of service and integrity, and we wish him and his wife Julie, their children and grandchildren the best as he transitions back to private life. His steadfast leadership will be missed in the Idaho Senate, but we know his community and our State will continue to be blessed by his influence for years to come.●

##### TRIBUTE TO MAYOR JOHN PAUL CHRISTENSEN

• Mr. ROMNEY. Mr. President, we rise to congratulate John Paul Christensen on his lifetime of service to the State of Utah and Sanpete County and most recently his service as mayor of Mayfield, UT. John's service also includes a career in law enforcement, as an emergency medical responder and as a city councilman.

As a sixth-generation native of Sanpete County, John has dedicated his life to the betterment of his community. By virtue of his stewardship as mayor, the people of Mayfield have John to thank for dramatic improvements to the city's infrastructure, including its culinary water and drainage systems, streets, roadways, cemetery, and Mayfield Park. Mayor Christensen's accomplishments are made possible in large part by the industrious community of volunteers and spirit of friendship that Mayfield boasts.

The residents of Mayfield know John as a man of great character and compassion. In law enforcement and as an emergency medical responder, the community trusted John with protecting their lives and livelihoods, an often thankless duty that requires mental fortitude and dedication to serving the greater good. His long tenure in public service is evidence of his success.

Although he is leaving public office, we know that John will continue to serve his community and family with heart. As a devoted husband to Julie, a father of 9, and a grandfather of 19, John's legacy and example will endure. The great people of Mayfield, Sanpete